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# The City of Goldsboro Infrastructure Bond (\$7 million) and the Parks and Recreation Bond (\$3 million) Education Information

Goldsboro, NC- Goldsboro City Officials encourage residents to review educational information and Frequently Asked Questions about the Infrastructure Bond (\$7 million) and the Parks and Recreation Bond (\$3 million) currently on the ballot this election year by visiting the City of Goldsboro's website at www.goldsboronc.gov. Both bonds totaling (\$10 million) would provide both substantial and prompt improvements to our City's infrastructure without a tax increase.

Residents of the City of Goldsboro who are registered to vote are eligible voters. Early Voting Started on October 18 and Election Day is November 8. For more information on how to register, where to vote, and early voting dates and locations, call 919-731- 1411 or visit the Bord of Elections website <a href="https://www.waynevotes.com">www.waynevotes.com</a>

#### **BOND HIGHLIGHTS**

### \$7,000,000 INFRASTRUCTURE BOND REFERENDUM- PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The City of Goldsboro has 163 miles of paved and 9 miles of unpaved city streets. The work to maintain, repair and improve our streets ranges from patching, crack sealing, drainage improvements, resurfacing, and construction. Funding the city receives from the state is not enough to meet the need. Therefore, local funding is regularly allocated in the budget process to maintain and resurface city streets.

Infrastructure bond proceeds would allow the city to increase resurfacing funding from \$500,000 per year to over \$2,500,000 per year for each of the next three years. The list and map below show the first phase of bond resurfacing, which was approved by the City Council on September 26, 2016. The remainder of our paved streets will be evaluated, and a Pavement Condition Rating (PCR) developed such that recommendations for future resurfacing can be based on current pavement conditions and traffic loads.



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Infrastructure bond proceeds would also allow the city to pave some unpaved streets maintained by the city. The existing unpaved roads are being evaluated and will be prioritized based on the number of property owners, traffic, and access issues to determine high priority, medium priority, or low priority for paving.

### \$3,000,000 PARKS AND RECREATION BOND REFERENDUM - PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The City of Goldsboro proposes to lease a 62.35-acre property located off Oak Forest Road and behind Meadow Lane Elementary School from the United States Air Force to be used for a multi-sport complex. It will serve the Goldsboro, SJAFB, and Wayne County community as the premier practice, game and tournament venue for youth and adult field sports such as football, soccer, lacrosse, field hockey, and ultimate frisbee. The facilities will be the crown jewel of the Goldsboro Parks and Recreation Department and the joint sports leagues of the Family YMCA, Boys and Girls Club, and SJAFB Athletics Department.

The plans for this complex include the construction of 8 full sizes illuminated multisports fields, parking, restrooms, walking trails, shelters, playgrounds and concession facilities. A new security fence will <u>be erected</u>, so access to this <u>facility</u> will be from outside the boundaries of the secured perimeter of SJAFB. The City of Goldsboro Parks and Recreation Department will maintain the <u>facilities</u> and schedule events at the complex.

Proposed tournament events <u>are planned</u> for this facility that will stimulate the economy, encourage new investment and provide more recreation, entertainment and shopping options for the citizens of Goldsboro, Wayne County, and SJAFB.

Funding of \$4,000,000 is available, but an additional \$3,000,000 is needed to improve field and facility quality for the initial opening. If the bond referendum is not approved, the fields will be built in phases and/or improved over time.

For more details visit the City of Goldsboro's website at www.goldsboronc.gov or call the City Manager's Office at 919-580-4330.